

VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
NOVEMBER 10, 2020
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET
6:30 P.M.

In accordance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code, notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 10th day November 2020, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

You may join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

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The public will be permitted to offer public comments via telephone as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting.

A recording of the telephone conference will be made, and will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act upon written request.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Consider and take action to approve Ordinance No. 1065 an ordinance of the City of Taft, Texas to canvass the returns and declare the results of the General Election held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 for the purpose of electing one Alderman for Ward One and one Alderman for Ward Two for a term of two years.
4. Swearing In and Oath of Office of newly elected officials.
5. VISITORS - At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter. To address the Council, please sign the Opinion/Speaker Registration Form located on the table at the entrance of the meeting room and deliver to the City Secretary before the meeting begins. Should there be more than five (5) people who wish to speak on a particular issue they need to select one (1) representative to speak for them. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda. Citizens are to refrain from any personal attacks on the council or any member of the staff. Failure to abide by these policies could result in a charge of disorderly conduct.
6. Discuss, consider, and act to approve the Annual Financial Report for the year ended September 30, 2019.
7. Consider, discuss and act to approve an engagement letter from Raul Hernandez & Company, P.C. for fiscal year audit 19/20.

8. Consider and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
9. Consider, discuss and act to approve an interlocal agreement with San Patricio County to provide health related services.
10. Consider, discuss and act on allowing employees to receive the accumulated annual leave and longevity pay on the November 25, 2020 pay date.
11. Discuss, consider, and act to approve Resolution 643, a resolution of the City of Taft, Texas authorizing the City's \$10,000 in-kind and financial support and sponsorship issued to the Pride of Taft for the Taft Fireworks Extravaganza be reassigned to the Pride of Taft to produce a fireworks show to be held in conjunction with the Taft Chamber of Commerce Illuminated Christmas Parade on December 5, 2020.
12. Discuss update on all outstanding projects due to damage caused by Hurricane Harvey.
13. Discussion on trailer house parked at the business located next to the Mi Ranchito. *(Councilman Vara)*
14. Discuss and act upon the final process of obtaining the new fire truck. *(Councilman Hernandez)*
15. Consider, discuss, and take action on mud pit and burn out events at Little League Park. *(Councilman Vasquez)*
16. Discuss with a citizen of Taft Felipe Rodriguez with complaints and concerns within the City of Taft. *(Councilman Vasquez)*
17. Discuss monthly reports for police department, animal control, code enforcement, and public works.
18. Discuss, consider and act on the operational and logistical measures related to the City's preparedness and response to the federal, state, and city's local state of emergency declarations due to a public health emergency known as Covid-19 pandemic.
19. City Council Requests and Announcements:
 - Requests by Mayor and Councilmembers for items on future City Council agenda
 - Announcements by Mayor and Councilmembers
20. Executive Session: Convene into executive session pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Open Meetings Act to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property to wit: the Taft Cemetery.
21. Reconvene into Regular Session and consider action, if necessary, on any item(s) discussed in Executive Session.
22. Adjournment.

A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

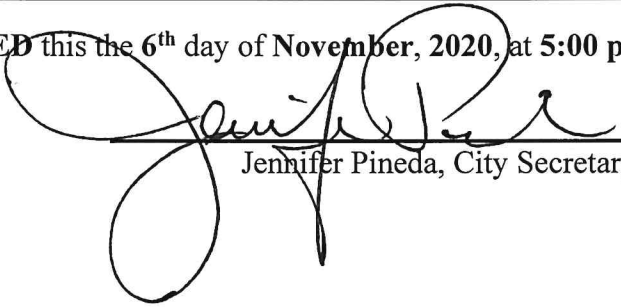
1. Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.071 Contemplated or pending litigation or matters where **legal advice** is requested of the City Attorney.

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| 2. | Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.072 | The <i>purchase, exchange, lease or value or real property</i> , if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. |
| 3. | Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.073 | A <i>contract for a prospective gift or donation</i> to the City, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person. |
| 4. | Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.074 | <i>Personnel matters</i> involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint against an officer or employee. |
| 5. | Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.076 | The deployment or specific occasion for the implementation of <i>security personnel or devices</i> . |
| 6. | Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.087 | Deliberations regarding <i>economic development negotiations</i> . |

NOTICE

Persons with disabilities planning to attend this meeting who may need auxiliary aids or services are asked to contact the City offices at (361) 528-3512 by Monday noon.

DATED and POSTED this the 6th day of November, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.



Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary